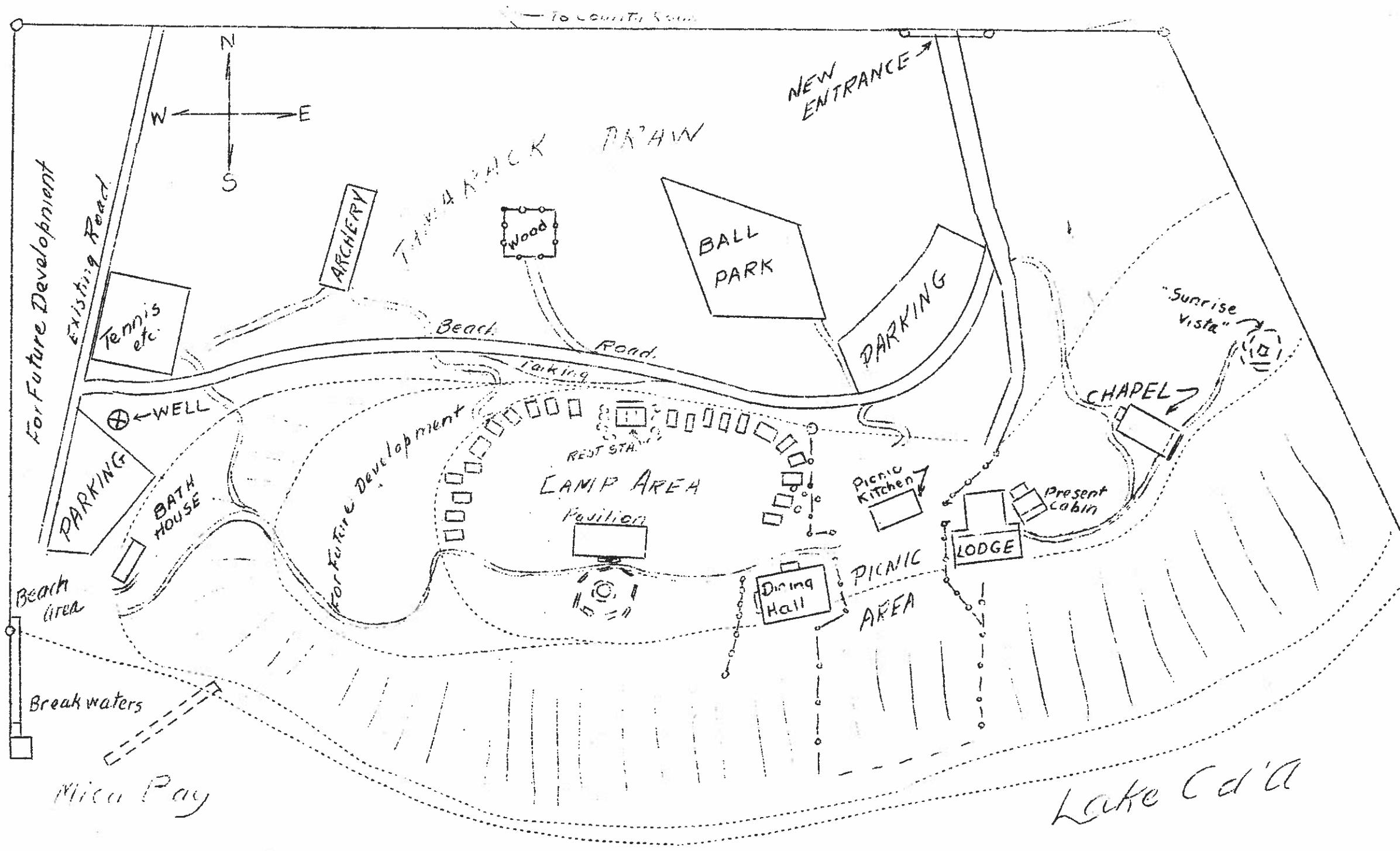




A GENERAL PLOT*PLAN FOR "LUTHERHAVEN" ON LAKE COEUR D'ALENE.

This plan for the all-Lutheran camp owned by the Inland Empire Lutheran Men's Association and sponsored by the Spokane Lutheran Men's Club embodies the gleanings and siftings of many hours of research, discussion and study of the site as well as the many suggestions coming to the attention of the Planning Committee. It is intended to be for the most part general in scope and does not undertake to set forth all the details and specifications for construction and development.

The plan is designed to provide facilities for picnicking, swimming, boating, athletic recreation, conduct of Bible camps and similar meetings, vacationing, rest and quiet worship for all Lutherans of all ages among nature's pleasant surroundings.

The site, for the purpose of setting forth the plan, may be divided into the following areas: Rest and Worship, Picnic, Camp, Beach, Recreation, and Future Development. Taking each area in turn permit a brief description of each, referring to the attached plot sketch for locations.

REST AND WORSHIP.

In this area, the most easterly of the entire site, it is proposed to construct the chapel, (and may we suggest that all efforts be extended toward making it a memorial to those Inland Empire Lutherans who served their country during the recent war.)

The chapel would stand in a secluded spot surrounded by tall pines and be of a sufficient size to accommodate about 150 persons. An appropriate window above the altar and overlooking the lake would frame a constant living picture of God's creation. The chapel would be reached by paths both from the parking area and from the lodge area. Beyond the chapel, in an opening affording a panorama of sky, water and trees, is a suitable location for an outdoor, rustic rest and study haven, herein called "Sunrise Vista".

Also in this area would be constructed the main lodge. It is proposed that the main room or lounge be large enough to comfortably accommodate 40 to 60 persons, and of two-story proportions with broad windows opening on a terrace or patio. The lodge would be built just on the edge of the lake-side slope and would present an outstanding view, anchored on each side by a natural rock formation. The main room calls for a massive stone fireplace, a library corner, and other similar accommodations. Across the back would run a balcony with a stairway approach opening into the rear portion of the building. In this section would be located the camp office, several (about 6) small sleeping rooms, two small rest rooms and a small kitchenette. This lodge might well be used for smaller week-end groups during the winter months when the balance of the camp is closed and therefore should be self-contained.

PICNIC AREA.

The area running westerly for approximately 150 feet from the lodge and from the rear crest a perch southerly as far as is practical, toward the lake, is set aside for picnicking. In this area could be placed the picnic tables. Interesting locations are to be terraced into a portion of the slope to accommodate some of these. Also, in a central location would be placed the picnic kitchen -- an open-sided, roofed structure -- which would contain several tables cooling surfaces and running water.

On the line dividing the picnic area from the camp area and on the edge of the slope toward the lake could be located the dining hall. This building should be designed to care for about 150 persons and should contain, in addition to dining space, a kitchen, a canteen, and below, a store-room. A fireplace is suggested for one end of the room and large windows overlooking the lake across the front.

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CAMP AREA.

The camp area would take up the balance of the crest level to the west of the picnic area, and is designed for the use of Bible camps and other such gatherings where sleeping facilities are necessary. The cabin suggested for sleeping purposes is 10 feet by 16 feet, accommodating eight persons. In order to care for approximately 160 persons, there would be 20 cabins placed roughly in a semi-circle with the open side toward the lake. In the center of the arc of the circle would be the central rest station, separating the girls' section of the sleeping area from the boys'. Also, among the cabins on each side would be a larger cabin of the family type for the use of conference directors, etc.

(It is intended that the rest station shall contain three separate sections. The one on the boys' side of the camp for the use of the men and the one on the girls' side of the camp for the use of the women. The room separating these two sections would serve as an adequate laundry and also contain the water heating equipment for the showers, etc.)

In the center of the open part of the cabin circle would be situated a 28 foot by 60 foot meeting pavilion with a fireplace flanked by wide windows on the lakeside wall and the entrance on the north side. Also in this area it may be desirable to construct a small cabin to be used for craft-work in connection with camp work. Toward the lake from the pavilion would be constructed a small "amphitheater" with an outdoor fireplace surrounded by rustic seats, for evening camp-fire gatherings.

BEACH AREA.

The beach area is the most southwesterly of the site and would contain the usual facilities. It is proposed that there be an adequate bath-house and that the stone breakwater already started be continued out for a sufficient distance and have a floating dock attached to the end. An intersecting breakwater may be constructed later, thus forming a partially enclosed and well protected beach. Along the breakwaters may be constructed berths for the camp boats. There may also be an outdoor fireplace and some canopied benches along the beach for the use of spectators.

RECREATION AREA.

Athletic recreation facilities are to be scattered in the section along the north side of the beach road. The various fields will be connected to each other and the main part of the camp by interesting woods paths. The most suitable location for the court for tennis, badminton and volley-ball is just north of the beach area. An archery range and a ball diamond would lie farther to the east. In this area of thick timber would also be located the "wood yard" for handling and storage of fire-wood for the camp fireplaces. Horseshoe pits and swings might be placed almost at will about the camp.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.

It is proposed to devote a portion of the remainder of the tract (west of the camp area and along the west line) to locations for family type cabins. These would be two room buildings, 14 feet by 20 feet, sleeping up to six persons and also affording facilities for light cooking. These would be for use by families on vacation or week-ending.

A caretakers cabin should be located in a convenient place.

A fire-guard created by slashing out a strip along the outer boundaries of the entire tract is considered a definite necessity.

WATER, SEWAGE AND ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS.

The well, already located by an expert and partially dug, is located about 200 feet back from high-water mark at the beach area. A pressure system of sufficient size is recommended, with lines running to the camp and picnic grounds and to the dining hall as well as the family cabins.

A septic tank system is recommended for sewage disposal. Details are yet to be completed.

R. E. A. electric service is available at any time and service is planned for all buildings and the beach area.

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ROADWAYS AND PARKING.

A roadway from the main entrance has been cut through to the picnic area. However, as it is proposed to keep all cars except tax service from the crest area, a road will be cut to branch off just below the rise to the crest and follow the draw to the beach area. It is suggested that a parking space be located at the intersection of these roads and also one at the terminus of the beach road, with a small turn-off space just north of the camp area.

It is the recommendation of the committee that the dining hall, lodge and chapel be designed in further detail by a professional; that all buildings be substantial and rustic in appearance, and also that construction on sleeping cabins, water system and rest station and further development of the beach be started immediately.

It is felt that the basic layout of this plan would allow for minor alterations and additions without interference.

An urgency exists for some facilities for a camp for next season. Here is a plan -- if you like it LET'S GET GOING.

Respectfully submitted,
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